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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: BOTT, Michael *et al.*
Serial No: 09/672,265
Filed: September 28, 2000
For: METHOD FOR PREPARATION OF
 RECOMBINANT HOLO-CITRATE LYASE
Art Unit: 1652
Examiner: Charles L. Patterson, Jr.

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 9, 2004

Dear Sir:

This reply is in response to the Official Action dated October 9, 2003 which has a shortened statutory period for response of three months that expired on January 9, 2004. A petition for a 2-month extension of time until March 9, 2004 is enclosed herewith.